Land Acquired in Delhi

2854. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the area of land acquired by Government in Delhi;

(b) the value thereof;

(c) whether Government have paid compensation for this land;

(d) if so, whether possession of this land has been taken;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(f) by when possession is likely to be taken so as to check encroachment of the land?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESHWARLU): (a) Government of NCT of Delhi has reported that since 1961 till date an extent of 88818 acres has been acquired in Delhi.

(b) and (c) A sum of Rs. 603.09 crores has been awarded as compensation of the acquired land. The compensation has been paid in almost all the cases where possession had been taken over except the cases which have been referred to the Court of Additional District & Sessions Judge under Sections 30-31 of the Land Acquisition Act.

(d) to (f) the possession of some of the acquired area could not be taken over due to built up or stay orders from the Hon'ble High Court. The same can be taken over and handed over to the requisitioning department after vacation of the stay orders.

Irregularities in Allowment of Land by Noida

2855. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the statement of the former Chairpersons of New Okhla Inudstrial Development Authority (NOIDA), as reported in the Pioneer, New Delhi dated the 8th January, 1997 alleging serious irregularities in allotment of land, housing and commercial permises and violation of laws and bye-laws by the officers of NOIDA;

(b) if so, whether Government have caused inquiries and investigations into these allegations; and

(c) what is the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESHWARLU): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Project for Expansion of Infrastructure and Public Amenities in Major Cities

2856. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any project for expansion of infrastructure and public amenities in major cities is under consideration of Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether any talks have been held with some international agencies for getting funds for this project; and

(d) if so, by when it is likely to be cleared and implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) and (b) There is no project under consideration of the Government for expansion of infrastructure and public amenities in major cities. However, a Centrally sponsored scheme for development of infrastructure in five mega cities of Mumbai, Calcutta, Chennai, Bangalore and Hyderabad was initiated during 1993-94. The main features of the scheme as approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs on 16.3.1996 are:

(i) the sharing between Central and State Governments would be in the ratio of 25:25 and the balance 50% is to be met from Institutional Finance;

(ii) the projects to be included under the scheme would be of three categories:—
(a) Basic Services projects,
(b) User charge based projects and
(c) Remunerative projects;

(iii) the funds are to be channelised through a specialised institutional/ nodal agency at the State level which would provide project related finance for urban infrastructure projects including water supply, sewerage, drainage, sanitation, city transport network, land development, slum improvement, solid waste management etc.

(c) No, Sir, No talks have been held with international agencies for getting funds for the aforesaid scheme.

(d) Does not arise.

Vacancies for SCs, STs and OBCs In Group 'D' Post in C.P.W.D.

2857. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a good number of Group "D" posts in the reserved categories for SCs, STs and OBCs have been lying vacant in various offices of CPWD in Delhi/New Delhi, since long;

(b) if so, the details of such vacancies which are to be filled up through direct recruitment; and

(c) the action contemplated in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) yes, Sir.

(b) SC — 30
ST — 23
OBC — 206

(c) The backlog vacancies of SC and ST category are being filled up under the special recruitment drive. Vacancies in the OBC category are being filled up from among the eligible casual employees belonging to the OBC category.

Water Supply and Sewerage Projects of Rajasthan

2858. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will THE PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have approved the water supply and sewerage projects of Rajasthan Government for five major towns of the State;

(b) if so, whether any budgetary allocation has been made for 1997-98 or the Ninth Five Year Plan, indicating the likely Central Government and the World